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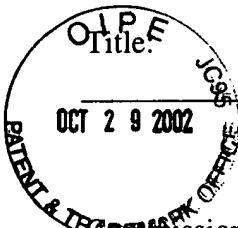
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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This is responsive to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002. In that Office Action, the Examiner recited a Restriction Requirement directed toward the invention of Group I (claims 1-14) and Group II (claims 15-20). Applicants respectfully elect the invention of Group I without traverse.

Having thus addressed the Restriction Requirement imposed by the Examiner, reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

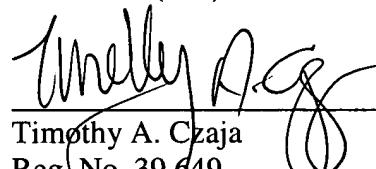
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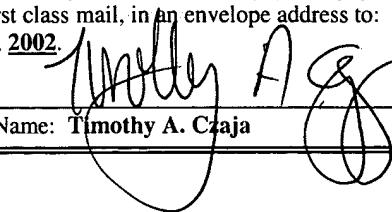
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